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SUBJECT: 29TH UNGA: ITEM 12: RESOLUTION ON THE ROLE OF THE
PUBLIC SECTOR

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1. MISSION IS CORRECT THAT TEXT OF RESOLUTION (A/C.2/L.
1355) IS UNACCEPTABLE AS PROPOSED AND DELEGATION SHOULD VOTE
AGAINST IT IF SPONSORS REFUSE TO AMEND TO TAKE OBJECTIONS
BELOW INTO ACCOUNT.

2. PREAMB PARA 2: USG CANNOT ACCEPT STATEMENT THAT A
STATE HAS PERMANENT SOVEREIGNTY OVER "WEALTH," AS CONTRASTED
TO "NATURAL WEALTH." WHILE A STATE MAY REASONABLY CLAIM
THAT IT HAS PERMANENT SOVEREIGNTY OVER MINES IN ITS TERRI-
TORY PRODUCING MINERALS, IT MAKES NO SENSE TO SAY THAT IT
HAS "PERMANENT" SOVEREIGNTY OVER ALL ITS WEALTH, E.G.,
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MANUFACTURES IT PRODUCES, SELLS AND EXPORTS. THERE IS

SIMILARLY LITTLE SENSE IN SPEAKING OF "PERMANENT" SOVEREIGNTY OVER ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES, THOUGH THIS PROVISION IS LESS OBJECTIONABLE IF QUALIFIED BY "ITS" (I.E., THE STATE'S ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES).

APART FROM MERITS, QUESTION OF PERMANENT SOVEREIGNTY OVER WEALTH HAS BECOME IMPORTANT POINT IN CHARTER NEGOTIATIONS, AND WE ARE NOT PREPARED TO CONSIDER GIVING IT IN THIS CONTEXT. DELEGATION SHOULD SEEK DELETION OF THE PARAGRAPH OR ITS AMENDMENT TO READ "PERMANENT SOVEREIGNTY OVER ITS NATURAL WEALTH AND RESOURCES," IN KEEPING WITH PREVIOUS UN RESOLUTIONS. (IF NECESSARY, USDEL MAY ACCEPT ADDITIONAL WORDS "AND ITS ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES.") IF SUCH AMENDMENT CANNOT BE OBTAINED, DEL SHOULD VOTE AGAINST THIS PARA AND AGAINST RESOLUTION AS A WHOLE.

3. OP PARA 1: DEL MAY SEEK DELETION OF WORD "PROMOTING." IF THIS NOT POSSIBLE, AND RESOLUTION OTHERWISE ACCEPTABLE, DEL MAY CONCUR IN ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION, WITH STATEMENT THAT WE EXPECT THAT SECRETARIAT REPORT WOULD ALSO DELIMIT EXTENT TO WHICH PUBLIC SECTOR CAN PLAY USEFUL ROLE IN DEVELOPMENT PROCESS AND WAYS IN WHICH IT MUST ENCOURAGE OR COMPLEMENT PRIVATE SECTOR. INGERSOLL

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